OREGON AND WASHINGTON DEPARTMENTS OF FISH AND WILDLIFE JOINT STAFF REPORT - SUMMER FACT SHEET NO. 3

Columbia River Compact/Joint State Hearing July 8, 2005

Fisheries under consideration: Treaty Indian Commercial Salmon Non-Treaty Commercial Salmon

- The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) reports the summer Chinook run is tracking slightly less than forecast and is estimated to be 60,000 fish. The sockeye run is expected to be near the preseason forecast of 70,800 fish.
- The recreational fishery below Bonneville Dam is expected to harvest 2,200 2,700 summer Chinook.

Landings for the non-Indian commercial fishery are shown below:

		White	
Fishing Period	Chinook	Sturgeon	Deliveries
June 23-24	808	284	96
June 27-28	786	321	93
July 5-6	370	238	69
Total	1,970	864	

Joint Staff Recommendation

Adont the following fishing periods for the mainstem Columbia River: Season: 7PM Monday July 11th – 5AM Tuesday July 12th, 2005 (10 hours)

Area: Zones 1-5.

Sanctuaries: Grays River, Elokomin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-A, Washougal

and Sandy Rivers.

8-inch minimum mesh size. Gear:

Allowable Sales: Chinook, coho, shad, and sturgeon. All sockeye and steelhead must be

> released immediately. A maximum of eight sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that the fishery is open. The eight sturgeon possession/

sales limit includes both mainstem and Select Area fisheries.

Expected Catch: 300-500 Chinook.

Steelhead Handle: Total season handle-86, including 20 wild mortalities, based on a 3,200

Chinook harvest.

Miscellaneous

Regulations: Quick reporting rule in effect for Washington buyers.

- Recommend a Compact hearing be scheduled for Friday July 15 at 1PM to consider additional fishing periods.
- A Columbia River Compact hearing has been scheduled for 10 AM Thursday, July 28, 2005 in the 6th floor Hearing Room of the Clark County Board of Commissioners located at the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA.